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CIVIL AVIATION
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GROWTH OF AIR TRAFFIC
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the percentage growth of air traffic during the last three years;

(b) the estimated air traffic growth in the next three years as per estimate made by the Airports Authority of India (AAI); and

(c) the steps taken by the AAI to build infrastructure to meet the growing demand of air traffic in future?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL)

(a):- The annual average growth rate in total traffic in respect of aircraft movements, passengers and freight during the last three years i.e. 2005-06, 2006-07 and 2007-08 are 22.1%, 25.4% and 10.3% respectively.

(b):- As per estimate made by Airports Authority of India (AAI) traffic forecast for aircraft movements, passengers and freight for the years 2008-09, 2009-10 and 2010-11 are 4.5%, 3.5% and 5.2% respectively.

(c):- AAI has undertaken upgradation and modernization of 35 non-metro airports in the country. In addition, 13 more airports have also been taken up for upgradation. The work o f runway expansion/re-strengthening has been undertaken at Vijayawada, Vishakapatnam, Dibrugarh, Silchar, Guwahati, Kullu, Jammu, Calicut, Bhopal, Khajuraho, Aurangabad, Gondia, Indore, Mangalore, Bhubaneswar, Pondichery, Amritsar, Udaipur, Madurai, Trichy, Coimbatore, Agartala, Varanasi, Lucknow, Dehradun, Pantnagar, Cooch Behar. The work related to apron expansion has been undertaken at Port Blair, vijayawada, Vishakapatnam, Dibrugarh, Silchar, Guwahati, Raipur, Ranchi, Vadodra, Surat, Ahmedabad, Goa, Gagal, Kullu, Jammu, Srinagar, Trivandrum, Khajuraho, Bhopal, Aurangabad, Akola, Belgaum, Gondia, Nagpur, Indore, Pune, Imphal, Dimapur, Hubli, Mangalore, Bhubaneswar, Pondichery, Amritsar, Udaipur, jaipur, Madurai, Trichy, Coimbatore, Agartala, Varanasi, Agra, Lucknow, Dehradun, Cooch Behar.

The Work related to terminal building expansion and other construction work has been undertaken at Vishakapatnam, Chandigarh, Raipur, Ranchi, Vadodra, Rajkot, Ahmedabad, Kullu, Jammu, Srinagar, Calicut, Agatti, Bhopal, Khajuraho, Aurangabad, Gondia, Indore, Imphal, Bhubaneswar, Amritsar, Udaipur, jaipur, madurai, Trichy, Coimbatore, Varanasi, Dehradun, Pantnagar, Cooch Behar.